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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : William Romine et al.
Appl. No. : 09/713,479
Filed : November 15, 2000
For : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
QUIESCING SELECT DATA
MODIFICATION OPERATIONS
AGAINST AN OBJECT OF A
DATABASE DURING ONE OR
MORE STRUCTURAL
OPERATIONS
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 11, 2003, and prior to examination on the merits of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully submit the following:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Summary of Interview begins on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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